

MEDIA RELEASE

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SUSPECT ARRESTED FOR VEHICULAR MANSLAUGHTER AFTER FATAL TRAFFIC COLLISION

Irwindale, CA: On Tuesday, February 9, 2021, at about 5:28 A.M., Irwindale police officers and the Los Angeles Fire Department responded to the report of a person down in the northbound traffic lanes of Irwindale Avenue at the Foothill (210) Freeway overpass. Officers located a non-responsive male adult with significant traumatic injuries at the scene. The male was transported to a local trauma center, where he died from his injuries.

Based on witness statements and evidence found at the scene, it was evident the victim had been struck by a vehicle going northbound on Irwindale Avenue, which fled the scene after the collision.

Detectives from the Irwindale Police Department commenced an investigation into the crime and, during the course of the investigation, were able to identify the vehicle and the driver involved in the fatal hit-and-run traffic collision on February 9th.

On Wednesday, February 10, 2021, IPD detectives located the vehicle, a light grey 2017 Ford F-150 Raptor pick-up truck, at a residence in the 1100 block of Newburgh Street in the city of Azusa. The suspect, Javier Prado, a 31-year-old resident of Ontario, was arrested without incident at the scene by detectives.

Javier Prado was booked at the West Covina City Jail on felony vehicular manslaughter and felony hit-and-run charges and was held on \$50,000.00 bail.

This remains an active investigation and we are asking anyone who may have witnessed this traffic collision or who may have information about the crime to contact the Irwindale Police Department Detective Bureau at (626) 430-2245.

Information can also be sent anonymously via our mobile app or via Los Angeles Regional Crimes Stoppers at www.lacrimestoppers.org or (800) 222-TIPS. A \$1,000.00 cash reward for information leading to prosecution of the suspect is available from the Los Angeles Regional Crime Stoppers.

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